



File Code: 1950
Date: December 8, 2017

Dear Interested Party:

As the Responsible Official, I have prepared a draft Record of Decision (ROD) for the Highway 89 Safety Enhancement and Forest Restoration Project. The project proposes to improve public safety along California State Highway 89, to improve public safety and reduce hazardous fuels in Wildland Urban Interface defense zones and in developed recreation areas; to treat forest stands to improve their health and resilience; to treat other vegetation types to reduce fuels and restore ecosystems; to maintain and decommission roads; and to construct a new helispot with decommissioning the old helispot. These activities will take place over a total of approximately 13,341 acres of National Forest System lands in 3 "blocks", near the City of Mount Shasta, at Snowman's Hill, and east of McCloud. The legal description includes all or portions of Township 39 North, Range 1 West, Sections 2-10, 17-18; Township 39 North, Range 2 West, Sections 1-3, 12; Township 40 North, Range 1 West, Sections 27, 28, 31-34; Township 40 North, Range 2 West, Sections 34-36; Township 40 North, Range 3 West, Sections 32-33; Township 40 North, Range 4 West, Sections 22-26, 34, Mount Diablo Meridian.

The Final Environmental Impact Statement and draft ROD are available for review at the McCloud Ranger Station Office in McCloud, CA and Mount Shasta Ranger Station Office in Mount Shasta, CA; or, on-line at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43770>.

This proposed decision is subject to objection pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Objections will only be accepted from those who submitted project-specific written comments during scoping or other designated comment period. Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted comments unless based on new information arising after the designated comment period(s).

Objections must be submitted within 45 days following the publication of the legal notice in the Redding Record Searchlight. Publication in the Record Searchlight is anticipated for Friday, December 15, 2017. The date of publication of the legal notice in the newspaper is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. It is the objector's responsibility to ensure evidence of timely receipt (36 CFR 218.9).

Objections must be submitted to the reviewing officer: Randy Moore, Regional Forester, USDA Forest Service; Attn: Highway 89 Project; 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592. Ph. (707) 562-8737, (TTY 707 -562-9240). Objections may be submitted via mail, FAX (707) 562-9229, or delivered during business hours (M-F 8:00am to 4:00pm). Electronic objections, in common (.doc, .pdf, .rtf, .txt) formats, may be submitted to: objections-pacificsouthwest-regional-office@fs.fed.us with Subject: Highway 89 Project.

Objections must include (36 CFR 218.8(d)): 1) name, address and telephone; 2) signature or



other verification of authorship; 3) identify a single lead objector when applicable; 4) project name, Responsible Official name and title, and name of affected National Forest(s) and/or Ranger District(s); 5) reasons for, and suggested remedies to resolve your objections; and, 6) description of the connection between your objections and your prior comments. Incorporate documents by reference only as provided for at 36 CFR 218.8(b).

For more information, please contact Ann Glubczynski, Natural Resource Planner, at the McCloud Ranger Station office, 2019 Forest Road, McCloud, CA. Business hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm; or call (530) 964-2184.

Sincerely,



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